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SUBJECT: EXCHANGE VISITS BETWEEN PARLIAMENTARY INTERNS
AND CONGRESSIONAL FELLOWS

REF: COOKE/KRUSE TELCON, DECEMBER 12

1. CU/WE HAS CONSULTED AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE
ASSOCIATION (APSA), SPONSOR OF US CONGRESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP
PROGRAM, ON PARLIAMENTARY INTERNS' PROPOSAL TO VISIT
WASHINGTON FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY PER REFTELCON. APSA
ADVISES US THIS WOULD NOT BE GOOD TIME FOR VISIT BECAUSE
CONGRESS OUT OF TOWN MOST OF JANUARY AND WOULD HAVE HEAVY
WORKLOAD EARLY FEBRUARY. WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR APSA TO
LAY ON BEST POSSIBLE PROGRAM FOR INTERNS. APSA WOULD
PREFER EITHER OF LAST TWO WEEKS OF MARCH (1973 VISIT WAS
MARCH 25-30) BUT WILL CONSIDER ALTERNATE PROPOSALS BY
INTERNS. CU/WE CONCURS.

2. IN ADDITION TO APSA AND CU/WE POSITION ON DATES OF
WASHINGTON VISIT, EMBASSY MAY INFORM EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
THAT DEPARTMENT VERY PLEASED WITH SUCCESS OF 1973 EXCHANGE
BETWEEN INTERNS AND FELLOWS. WE ARE PREPARED TO SUPPORT
1974 EXCHANGE AT SAME LEVEL THROUGH GRANT TO APSA WHICH
WOULD ARRANGE PROGRAM. IF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CONCURS AND
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AGAIN PLANS TO SUPPORT FELLOWS VISIT TO OTTAWA, WE WILL

CONFIRM GRANT OFFER TO APSA. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION AND
ASSUME EXTERNAL AFFAIRS HAS NONE TO APSA AND INTERNS

WORKING OUT DATES AND PROGRAMMING ARRANGEMENTS DIRECTLY
AS IN 1973. JERRY ADAMSON IN CANADIAN EMBASSY OFFICE
OF INFORMATION IS AWARE OF OUR THINKING AND WOULD BE
EMBASSY COORDINATOR OF PROGRAM. PLEASE ADVISE. RUSH

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